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August 11, 2015


The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

36 August 11, 2015


PATRICK OGAWA
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**INCREASE IN COUNTY LOCAL MATCH CONTRIBUTION TO FEDERAL HIGHWAY
ADMINISTRATION FOR RESURFACING OF ROADWAY PAVEMENT ON
ANGELES FOREST HIGHWAY IN THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve an increase in the County's local match contribution to the Federal Highway Administration for a project to resurface the roadway pavement on Angeles Forest Highway in the Angeles National Forest and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to amend the reimbursable agreement with the Federal Highway Administration to include the County's new match commitment for the project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the recommended actions are within the scope of the Angeles Forest Highway Rehabilitation project that was previously found exempt by the Board under the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve an increase of \$369,600 in the County's local funding match for the project from the Fifth Supervisorial District's Transportation Improvement Program in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to amend the reimbursable agreement with the Federal Highway Administration to increase the overall County's local funding match commitment by an additional \$369,600.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to approve an increase of \$369,600 in the County's local funding match for the Angeles Forest Highway Rehabilitation project that will bring the County's total local funding match for the project to \$3,214,750 and to authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to amend the reimbursable agreement with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to reflect the County's increased local match commitment. The amendment to the reimbursable agreement will be substantially similar to the enclosed reimbursable Agreement DTFH68-14-E-00038, Modification No. 002.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1), Community Support and Responsiveness (Goal 2), and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). The recommended action will help achieve these goals by augmenting County funds with Federal grant funds and developing a partnership with the Federal Government to implement the project.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

On January 28, 2014, the Board approved the County's local funding match for the preliminary construction engineering costs of \$188,650. On August 19, 2014, the Board approved the County's local funding match for the construction contract and construction engineering costs in the amount of \$2,656,500, including a 10 percent contingency.

Following the receipt of construction bids, an additional County local funding match of \$369,600 is requested to cover the low bid cost above the construction cost estimate. This project cost includes construction contract, construction engineering, and a 10 percent contingency.

This project is being administered by FHWA under the California Federal Lands Access Program (CA FLAP). Under this program, CA FLAP funds will finance 65 percent of the total cost of the project estimated to be \$5,970,250. The remaining 35 percent of the project cost, estimated to be \$3,214,750, will be matched by the County.

Financing for this project is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Transportation Improvement Program in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The project involves rehabilitation of approximately 16.5 miles of the Angeles Forest Highway. The project is being administered by FHWA with 35 percent matching funds from the County. The project was previously approved by the Board on August 19, 2014, for a \$2,845,150 local funding match. The County entered into an agreement with FHWA, which requires that FHWA not incur costs that would result in County match exceeding the maximum agreed amount of \$2,845,150 without County authorization.

On December 19, 2014, following receipt of construction bids, FHWA notified the County of the higher than estimated bids. The low bid cost was \$960,000 above the construction cost estimate used in calculating the County match for the agreement. An additional County local funding match of

\$369,600 was requested by FHWA to cover the County share of the increase. FHWA identified adequate CA FLAP funding to proceed with construction in February 2015. Knowing County approval could not be provided without delaying construction and incurring additional costs, FHWA proceeded with award of the contract while an amendment to the agreement was prepared for County approval. The County is not obligated to increase its match, but since County motorists are the beneficiaries and the County share is only 35 percent, we recommend that the County fund its share of the additional cost.

The project scope includes roadway rehabilitation, new pavement markers and installation of centerline rumble strip, and intermittent guardrail replacement. Roadway construction began in June 2015 and is anticipated to be substantially completed by the end of 2015.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On August 19, 2014, Agenda Item 22, the Board found this project to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the State of California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1(x)(2) and 22 of the County's Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Upon the project's completion, it will have a positive impact by providing improved highway facilities for the traveling public.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,



GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)
County Counsel
Executive Office

**Federal Highway Administration
Federal Lands Highway
AGREEMENT**

**DTFH68-14-E-00038
Modification #002**

PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT

Reimbursing Organization	Organization to be Reimbursed
County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works 900 South Fremont Avenue Alhambra, CA 91803	Federal Highway Administration Central Federal Lands Highway Division 12300 West Dakota Avenue Lakewood, CO 80228
DUNS Number: 625211490 TIN: 95-6000927	DUNS Number 126129936

POINTS OF CONTACT FOR THE AGREEMENT

Reimbursing Organization Finance Point of Contact	Organization to be Reimbursed Finance Point of Contact
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Reimbursing Organization Program Point of Contact	Organization to be Reimbursed Program Point of Contact
Name: Allan Abramson, Principal Engineer Address: Programs Development Division County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works 900 South Fremont Ave. Alhambra, CA 91803 Phone: (626) 458-3902 E-mail: aabrams@dpw.lacounty.gov	Name: Tom Puto Address: 12300 West Dakota Ave Lakewood, CO 80228 Phone: (720) 963-3728 E-mail: tom.puto@dot.gov

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE	LEGAL AUTHORITY
All work shall be completed by March 30, 2016	23 U.S.C. 201 and 204

TOTAL AGREEMENT AMOUNT	PAYMENT TERMS AND SCHEDULE
Original Agreement Amount: \$188,650.00 Modification #001: \$2,656,500.00 <u>Modification #002: \$369,600.00</u> Total Agreement Amount: \$3,214,750.00	EFT

DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES, SERVICES, AND DELIVERABLES

This Modification #002 adds in additional Los Angeles County match funding for the construction contract, construction engineering and contingency resulting from high construction bids.

AUTHORIZED APPROVALS

For Reimbursing Organization	For Organization to be Reimbursed
Signature _____ Date _____	Ricardo Suarez, Division Engineer Signature _____ Date _____

Statement of Work
Project: CA FLAP CR N-3(1), Angeles National Forest,
Angeles Forest Highway
Reimbursable Agreement DTFH68-14-E-00038
Modification # 002
June 11, 2015

- I. This modification #002 to Agreement DTFH68-14-E-00038 with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works adds in additional Los Angeles County match funding for the construction contract and contingency for CA FLAP CR N-3(1) project.

On December 16, 2014, bids were opened by CFLHD for the above construction contract and low bid received was \$7,360,000, which was above the reimbursable agreement construction contract amount of \$6,400,000. Additional project funding was requested from LA County to cover the increased low bid cost in late December -2014.

The original Agreement covered the preliminary engineering local FLAP match costs and Modification #001 added in the construction contract and construction engineering and a contingency to execute the project.

Los Angeles County shall be referred to as the Requesting Agency and the CFLHD shall be referred to as the Servicing Agency.

- II. Breakdown of Costs: The following chart is an updated estimate of total project costs, inclusive of project's lowest bidder construction cost:

Item	FLAP share	Local match	Total
Preliminary Engineering	\$ 318,500	\$ 171,500	\$ 490,000
Construction Contract	\$ 4,784,000	\$ 2,576,000	\$ 7,360,000
Construction Engineering	\$ 325,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 500,000
Subtotal:	\$ 5,427,500	\$ 2,922,500	\$ 8,350,000
Contingency (Pre. Eng.)	\$ 31,850	\$ 17,150	\$ 49,000
Contingency (Con. Contract)	\$ 478,400	\$ 257,600	\$ 736,000
Contingency (Con. Eng.)	\$ 32,500	\$17,500	\$50,000
Total project cost:	\$ 5,970,250	\$ 3,214,750	\$ 9,185,000

Los Angeles County Department of Public Works is committed to provide funds in the amount of 35.00% X \$9,185,000 = \$3,214,750 for the complete project. California Federal Lands Access Program funding for this project is estimated to be \$5,970,250.

The Original Agreement transferred the local match funding for Preliminary Engineering plus 10% design contingency for a total of \$188,650. Modification #001 transferred \$2,656,500 for the construction contract, construction engineering and contingency. The local match share prior to construction solicitation was \$2,845,150.

Statement of Work
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Angeles Forest Highway
Reimbursable Agreement DTFH68-14-E-00038
Modification # 002
June 11, 2015

This Modification #002 will commit LA County to provide matching funds in the amount of 35.00% of the total Federal Lands Access Program funding required to award the construction contract and for construction engineering. The local match amount for this work, following the receipt of construction bids, has increased by \$369,600.

- III. Period of Performance: There is no change to the Period of Performance as a result of this modification. All work with the agreement and this modification will be completed no later than March 30, 2016.
- IV. Technical Representative: The new Los Angeles County technical point of contact for this project is Allan Abramson, Principal Engineer, Programs Development Division, Los Angeles County Public Works Department, 626-458-3902.
- V. Financial Administration:

A. Total Agreement Amount:

Original Agreement Amount:	\$ 188,650.00
Modification # 001:	\$ 2,656,500.00
Modification #002:	\$ 369,600.00
Total Agreement Amount:	\$ 3,214,750.00

B. Funding Citations: 23 U.S.C. 201 and 204.

C. Reimbursable Payment:

The Servicing Agency will bill the Requesting Agency on a monthly basis in the amount of 35.00% of the total Federal Lands Access Program funding expended for the project on Preliminary Engineering (project development), construction engineering (administration and oversight of the construction contract) and progress payments made to the construction contract. The local match amount for this work is estimated at \$3,214,750. Any remaining balance will be billed at the final closeout of the construction contract or at the resolution of any disputes or claims.

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works will commit 35.00% of the total Federal Lands Access Program funding required for the project through construction contract completion, closeout, and resolution of any disputes, in an amount not to exceed that provided in this agreement.

The Servicing Agency is limited to recovery of the matching share of actual costs incurred as reflected in the invoice provided by the Servicing Agency.

Statement of Work
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The Servicing Agency shall not incur costs which result in matching funds exceeding the maximum cost stated in this Agreement without authorization by the Requesting Agency in the form of written modification to this agreement.

Upon receipt of the invoice of costs incurred and authorized, the Requesting Agency will issue payment via one of the methods listed below.

D. Method of Billing:

No change in Method of Billing.